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In re the Application of

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AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the December 19, 2002 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract with the Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the specification with the substitute specification attached hereto. The substitute specification includes no new matter.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 3-10 and 16-20 as follow:

1. (Amended) An ink composition, comprising:

Qd
water;

a coloring agent; and

at least two different types of polyoxyalkylene glycol alkyl ethers each having at least one oxyalkylene in a polyoxyalkylene group,